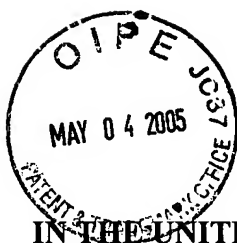


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

The following remarks below are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 1, 2005.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended and replacement drawings are attached following page 10 of this paper.